COLCHESTER BOARD OF EDUCATION
Colchester, CT

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE - MINUTES

February 10, 2021 ~ **5:00 PM**
Virtual Meeting via BoardDocs and Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Joanne Rose, Chris McGlynn, Jessica Morozowich, Amy Domeika**,** Suesen Hickey
ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Superintendent Jeffrey Burt, Director of Pupil Services & Special Education Kathleen Perry, CES Assistant Principal Meghan Amado
OTHERS PRESENT: BOE Chair Mary Tomasi

1. CALL TO ORDER
   Chair J. Rose called the meeting to order at 5:05PM.

2. *ADDITIONS TO AGENDA
   None.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT
   None.

4. *APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   4.1 *Approval of Minutes from February 4, 2021 Meeting
   Motion by: J. Morozowich
   To approve the minutes of the February 4, 2021 DEI Committee Meeting
   Second by: S. Hickey
   Vote: Unanimous
   Roll call: J. Morozowich, S. Hickey, C. McGlynn, J. Rose

5. *PRIORITY DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS
   5.1 *Review of Definitions
   The Committee reviewed definitions of diversity, equity, inclusion, and cultural competence. Discussion ensued regarding creating awareness among students and staff, brainstorming ideas, and training of staff. The draft document shared will eventually be used to develop goals of the DEI committee. The Culturally Responsive Curriculum Scorecard is a tool that will be used to evaluate curriculum. Integrating the goals of this committee into the broader goals of the BOE was discussed.
   5.2 *Approve 2021 Meeting Dates
   Motion by: A. Domeika
   To approve the meeting dates with revision of June meeting to be June 2, 2021.
   Second by: J. Morozowich

Vote: Unanimous
Roll call: A. Domeika, J. Morozowich, S. Hickey, C. McGlynn, J. Rose

6. REPORTS
   6.1 Committee Update
   6.2 Training
   6.3 Curriculum
   6.4 Hiring

7. OLD BUSINESS
   7.1 Lisa Tatko of the National Conference for Community and Justice will be joining the DEI Committee at their next meeting on Wednesday, February 24, 2021.

8. NEW BUSINESS

9. ESTABLISH NEXT MEETING PRIORITIES
   Priorities include training for the BOE and additional brainstorming on goals of the DEI Committee.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT
    None.

11. ADJOURNMENT
    The meeting adjourned at 6:16PM.